December 17, 2019 Governing Board Meeting

Berlin Elementary School
372 Paine Turnpike N, Berlin, VT

6:00pm

Present

Andrew Gilbert (Cabot), Ray Pelletier (Northfield), Nathan Hock (Treasurer)
Siobhan Perricone (Orange), Joshua Jarvis (Barre Town), Chuck Burt (Moretown)
David Healy (Calais), Tom Fisher (E. Montpelier), Greg Kelly (Barre City)
Michael Birnbaum (Plainfield), Allen Gilbert (Alternate - Worcester)
Jeremy Matt (Alternate - Plainfield), Jonathan Williams (Marshfield)
John Russell (Worcester), Jeremy Hansen (Chair - Berlin)
Phil Hyjek by phone (Vice Chair - Middlesex)

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:09

Changes to agenda - none
Public comment - none

Jeremy Hansen moved that public discussion concerning vendor selection and contract for RFP would put CVFiber at a disadvantage. Siobhan Perricone seconded. Unanimous approval.

Jeremy Hansen moved that the Board enter into executive session to discuss selection and contract for RFP. Greg Kelly seconded. Unanimous approval.

Board entered executive session

Upon exit of executive session Jeremy Hansen moved that the Board authorize the executive committee to begin negotiation with Interisle to fulfill requirements of the RFP. And asked that the Board authorize the executive committee to draw on outside resources as necessary, including legal counsel, to accomplish this task. Further that the executive committee act to ensure the following areas of concern are addressed in the agreement:

* Establish penalties for failure to meet key project milestones
* Ensure deliverables match appropriately to Vermont DPS requirements
* Confirm CVFiber retains complete data ownership, and that all data be deliverable in usable formats
* Specify the data products to be delivered
* That the vendor provide feasibility and business planning work samples to demonstrate ability to meet CVFiber requirements
* Ensure vendor remains agnostic, objective regarding selection of additional vendors
* Establish what additional services, role vendor can provide over life cycle of CVFiber
* Confirm CVFiber ability to switch provider at any point in the life cycle
* Ensure vendor has staff ready to complete the project in a timely fashion

Passed unanimously